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In the Application of:

POLICICCHIO et al

Serial No.: 09/509,603

April 6, 2000

Group Art Unit: 1744

J. SMETANA Examiner:

Filed: DETERGENT COMPOSITION FOR HARD SURFACES COMPRISING For:

HYDROPHILIC SHEAR-THINNING POLYMER AT VERY LOW LEVEL

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 10/09/01

The Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2001, the time for response having been extended by payment of the fee herewith, Applicant hereby submits this response including the following remarks. Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's restriction requirement and provisionally elect Group II.

Applicant also hereby submits a copy of the original document granting limited recognition to Mr. Thibault Fayette to prosecute patent application for the Procter & Gamble Company.

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